



December 20, 2018

The Honorable Bobby Scott  
1201 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ranking Member Scott:

On behalf of the undersigned members of the College in High School Alliance, we write today in support of robust investment in college in high school programs, specifically dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, and early college high school, in any reauthorization of the Higher Education Act (HEA.)

Investment in college in high school programs will significantly advance college access, affordability, and completion for all students, particularly students from low-income and traditionally underserved backgrounds and first-generation college students.

The Aim Higher Act, which includes \$250 million in grant funding to support college in high school programs through the inclusion of the Jumpstart on College grant program, is an important step forward in providing support to states and institutions of higher education to create postsecondary pathways that begin during high school. Importantly, the legislation brings all relevant sectors, including higher education, K-12, and employers to the table.

As you prepare to take over the chairmanship of the Education & Workforce Committee, and as bipartisan negotiations on the Higher Education Act reauthorization begin in the House of Representatives, we encourage you to include support for college in high school programs, such as the Jumpstart on College program, as a key component of any final bill. We will be providing more detailed recommendations regarding Jumpstart, and other areas of HEA, in the new Congress.

Support for college in high school programs in the Higher Education Act will improve college affordability, accessibility, and completion. We look forward to working together to ensure college and high school programs reap the widest benefit for all students. Thank you for your ongoing support and consideration.

Sincerely,

AASA, The School Superintendents Association  
ACT, Inc.  
Advance CTE  
Alliance for Excellent Education  
America Forward  
America's Promise Alliance  
American Association of Community Colleges  
Augustus F. Hawkins Foundation

Bard College  
Be Foundation  
California Association of Black School Educators (CABSE)  
Capital Region Board of Cooperative Education Services, NY  
Career Ladders Project  
Center of Excellence in Leadership and Learning – University of Indianapolis, IN  
ECMC Foundation  
Edmonds Community College, WA  
Educate Texas  
Gateway to College National Network  
Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)  
Illinois Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (ILACEP)  
Jobs for the Future  
KnowledgeWorks  
Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL)  
Middle College National Consortium  
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, MN  
National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO)  
National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity (NAPE)  
National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP)  
National Association for College Admission Counseling  
National Association of Secondary School Principals  
National Council for Community and Education Partnerships (NCCEP)  
National Writing Project  
Owensboro Community & Technical College, KY  
University of Central Missouri Dual Credit Program, MO  
University of Missouri – St. Louis, MO  
University of Wisconsin-Parkside, WI

cc. The Honorable Virginia Foxx, Chairwoman, House Education & Workforce Committee